BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2008-223-C - ORDER NO. 2008-773

NOVEMBER 18, 2008

IN RE:	Application Requesting an Extension of)	ORDER REQUIRING
	Local Phone Service for Residents of the)	BALLOT FOR
	Landrum and Campobello Communities to)	EXTENSION OF LOCAL
	All the Spartanburg Exchange)	PHONE SERVICE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on an application submitted by Representative Robert E. Walker requesting an extension of local phone service for residents of the Landrum and Campobello communities to all the Spartanburg exchange. Windstream South Carolina, Inc. is the incumbent local exchange carrier serving the Landrum and Campobello communities, and AT&T South Carolina, Inc. is the incumbent local exchange carrier serving the Spartanburg community. On October 17, 2008, the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") completed a Feasibility Study regarding this issue and, due to the cost of extending phone service between these communities, recommended that customer input be sought either through a hearing or a ballot process.

Based on this report, we find and order that the least expensive way forward is to ballot for customer input by a bill insert, which directs customers to vote on extended phone service by dialing an 800 telephone number. The bill insert must be made

conspicuous so that it is difficult for customers to ignore. Further, it must be submitted to the Commission for review prior to distribution.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Elizabeth & Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:

John E. Howard, Vice Chairman

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